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** LAW CLERK POSITIONS ** COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FIRST DISTRICT OF TEXAS AT HOUSTON

The First Court of Appeals is seeking qualified applicants for one-year law clerk positions that begin no later than September 1, 2017. The current salary is \$50,000 annually.

Applications are welcome from graduates or students of any accredited law school who will graduate before the effective date of employment. A license to practice is not a requirement, although applicants are encouraged to take the Texas Bar Examination.

Submit a **single** complete electronic application consisting of the following *in pdf format*:

- 1. Resumé
- 2. Electronically-signed State of Texas Application for Employment (www.twc.state.tx.us/jobs/gvjb/sota.html)
- Unofficial law school transcript 3.
- 4. Certification by law school of class rank or explanation from law school of general percentile rankings
- 5. Writing Sample
- 6. Two (2) References (including name, address, and phone number of each)
- Cover Letter 7.

Although scholastic qualifications have not been specified, the Court has a strong preference for applicants in the top 25% of their graduating class, with law review, moot court, or clerking experience. The applications will be screened, and qualified applicants will be contacted to schedule an interview. If selected for an interview, a hard copy certified law school transcript must be submitted.

A law clerk assists the individual judge to whom he or she is assigned. The position entails legal research, writing, and assistance in drafting opinions. An applicant's research and writing skills are key considerations. Law clerks participate in most of the Court's deliberations and conferences.

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Veterans, Reservists, or Guardsmen with a MOS or additional duties that fall in the fields of 27A Judge Advocate General, 250X Judge Advocate General Corps, LG10 or 04 Legal, 4410 Master of Law (General), and 44 Legal services or other related fields pertaining to the minimum experience requirement may meet the minimum qualifications for this position and are encouraged to apply. Additional Military Crosswalk information can be accessed at:

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E-VERIFY:

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